

Egypt spells out views on resuming peace talks, in letter to Vance

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies Egyptian Foreign Minister Mustapha Khalil has spelled out the Egyptian views on resuming the Middle East peace talks...

over Egypt's commitments to Arab states. Reports from Cairo yesterday quoted Egyptian officials as saying that two other issues rejected by Israel...

Begin says talks to resume 'within a week or two'

Jerusalem Post Staff Premier Menachem Begin said yesterday he hopes the treaty talks with Egypt will resume 'within a week or two'...

Four terror cells caught

Security forces have uncovered four terrorist cells operating in Samaria, and have arrested 35 suspected members of the cells, the army spokesman said yesterday...

Large bomb near Haifa Port dismantled in time by police

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA — A sandwich vendor and a customer prevented a major disaster near the port yesterday, when they discovered a suitcase packed with explosives...

'Inquiry panels should focus on main figures'

By DAVID LANDAU Post Diplomatic Correspondent Commissions of inquiry will be encouraged in future to focus in their findings and recommendations on the central characters of their inquiry...

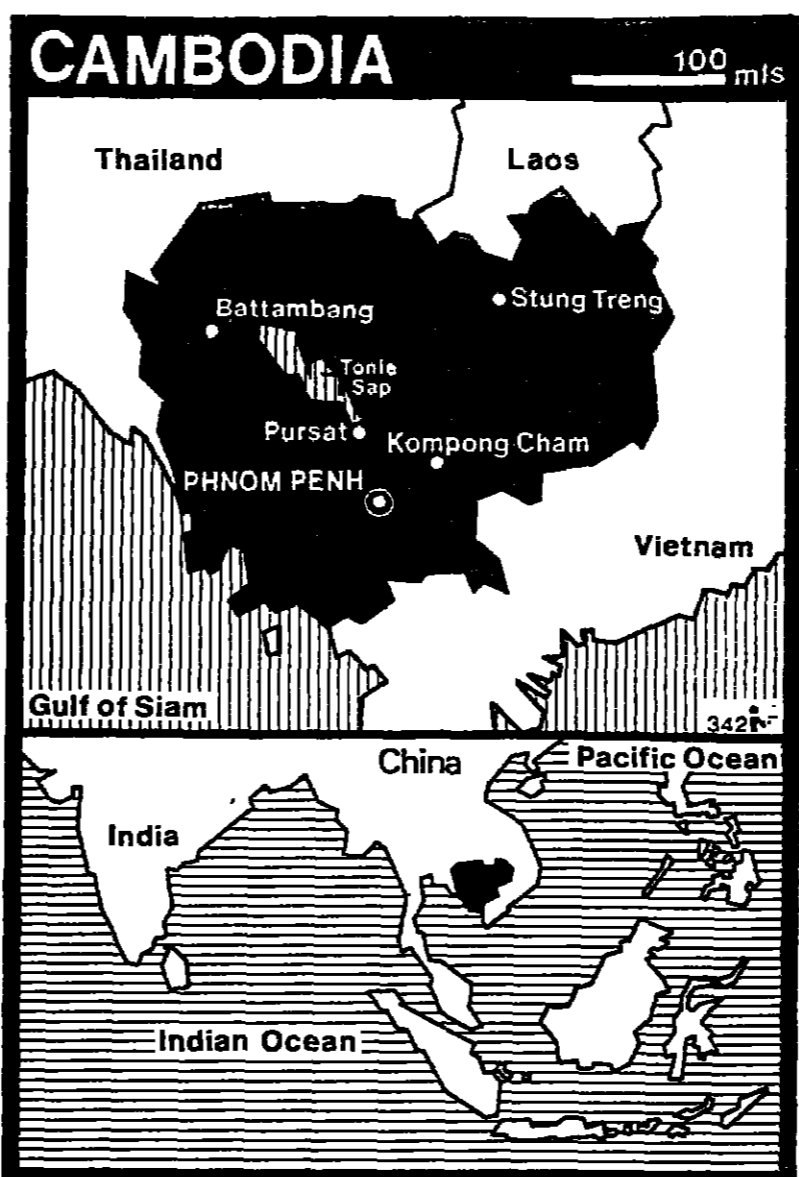
Mahal volunteer gets last wish: Haifa burial

By BARUCH SAVILLE Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV — Wayne Peake, 55, a World War II pilot who fought for Israel in the War of Independence, died a few days ago at his home in Los Angeles...

U.S. pilot downed RAF Mosquito in 1948 war

considerate, and most gentle. He never spoke much, and was indignant when salary was mentioned. He did not accept any pay. An experienced pilot on Mustang P-51s, he never grew tired of imparting his wide knowledge of aerial combat to his fellow pilots in the squadron...

Phnom Penh falls to rebels; report leaders flee to China



Strike shuts down Teheran

TEHERAN (Reuters). — A general strike called by opponents of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi turned this city of four million people into a ghost town yesterday. Shops, offices and banks all closed in response to a call from the opposition National Front...

More taxes in store to soak up public's cash

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich told the cabinet yesterday that he intends recommending an increase in income tax. (Moshel threatens — Page 2) Ehrlich said his ministry would not raise the value added tax rate...

BANGKOK (AP). — Cambodian insurgents announced yesterday that they had "totally liberated" the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, toppled one of the most radical regimes of recent times and seized about half the country. The victory could not be confirmed by independent sources, but analysts in Bangkok who had been following the swift developments said they had no reason to doubt the claim...

China hits Hanoi 'aggression'

PEKING. — Chinese Senior Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping declared yesterday that China "resolutely" supports Cambodia in its struggle to resist "Vietnamese aggression"...

Israel will take in 100 Viet refugees — cabinet

By ASHER WALLFISH Jerusalem Post Reporter Israel will take in 100 Vietnamese refugees from a boatload which has reached the Philippines, the cabinet decided yesterday. The cabinet statement, noting that other countries had denied the refugees a haven, called on "nations large and small to do their share in absorbing the Vietnam refugees"...

Advertisement for ALED TOP FASHIONS at SCHNEIDMAN, Tel-Aviv, 128, Dizengoff St., Hilton Hotel, Jerusalem.

Advertisement for ISRAEL BONDS, FOR A STRONG ECONOMY.

Country Club shops evaded taxes, like many others

By SELOMO MAOS Post Economic Reporter A comprehensive check of various businesses at the Tel Aviv Country Club...



Elihu Ben-Eliassar, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, assures Falashas in Jerusalem yesterday that the government is trying to help the Jews of Ethiopia

Gov't to help Falashas, Begin says

Jerusalem Post Reporter About 100 Falashas demonstrated yesterday morning outside the Prime Minister's Office during the cabinet session...

Lebanese liaison men expected to replace UNIFIL departees

Post Military Correspondent Israel does not expect the Lebanese Army to send a fighting force into South Lebanon...

Meshel threatens 'all-out war' if Ehrlich raises tax rates

By LEA LEVAVI Jerusalem Post Reporter Meshel threatened to mobilize the country's workers in "an all-out war" if Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich raises taxes to absorb the cost of living...

Gur's election to Labour's Bureau delayed: no quorum

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter TEL AVIV. - Efforts to co-opt former chief of staff Mordechai Gur to the Labour Party Bureau had to be put off yesterday, after it emerged that no quorum was present at the Labour Party Central Committee...

Israel's Vietnamese pleased by gov't decision to take in more

By ALICE VAN BUREN Special to The Jerusalem Post "I so happy," was the response of one local Vietnamese to yesterday's cabinet decision to grant 100 visas to Vietnam refugees...

REFUGEES

(Continued from page 1) relevant to the cabinet's decision. Naor said that Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin first raised the matter some two months ago...

PHNOM PENH

(Continued from page 1) Buddhist religion and close family life (see P.4). Phnom Penh was originally captured by communist forces on April 17, 1975...

Medals Corp. ex-boss fights his dismissal

Yitzhak Avni, former head of the Government Coins and Medals Corporation, who was convicted of fraud and fined IL15,000, yesterday obtained a show-cause order against the attorney-general from the High Court of Justice...

Substantial Money Reward

for the finder of a Black Poodle lost in North Tel Aviv. Bitch, of medium size, scar on left side, answers to the name "Brindy."

Lottery advertisement for 1978. Minimum prize fund IL3,500,000. Minimum first prize IL1,000,000. With Lot6 - luck comes your way!

The Weather at Main SWISSAIR. Destinations: AMSTERDAM, BRUSSELS, BUEENOS AIRES, CHICAGO, COFFENHAGEN, FRANKFURT, GENEVA, HELSINKI, HONG KONG, JERUSALEM, LONDON, MADRID, MONTREAL, NEW YORK, OSLO, PARIS, RIO DE JANEIRO, SAO PAULO, STOKHOLM, TOKYO, VANCOUVER, VIKING, ZURICH.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy with local rain mainly in the north. Table with columns for Yesterday's Humidity, Yesterday's Min-Max, Today's Max. Locations: Jerusalem, Golan, Nahariya, Safed, Haifa Port, Tiberias, Nazareth, Afula, Shomron, Tel Aviv, B-G Airport, Jericho, Gaza, Beersheba, Eilat, Tiran Straits.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

A three-man official Norwegian cultural delegation, renewing the Israel-Norway cultural exchange agreement, yesterday visited Yad Vashem, the Knesset, the Shrine of the Book and Bethlehem. A delegation of the Senate of the city of Bremen, West Germany, headed by Senate President Hans Koshnick, yesterday attended a reception given by Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel...

ARRIVALS

Ether R. Landa, President, National Council of Jewish Women - USA, Shirley Leviton, Vice-President, Barbara Mandel, Secretary, Marice Halper, Ann Robinson, National Board and Hannah Levin, Director, International Affairs...

DEPARTURES

MEK Avraham Katz, chairman of the World Zionist Organization's youth and health department, for a two-week visit to Jewish communities in France.

EMPLOYMENT

December saw a total of 19,060 persons seeking work through the labour exchanges, down from 20,300 in November. Demand for workers was 29,700 in December, and 29,900 in November.

The Board of Directors of the Afridar Company announce in sorrow the death of FRIEDA SONNABEND, wife of Dr. Yeheskiel Sonnabend, founder of the Company.

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Simon Lifschutz, a dear friend of the University and a founding member of the British Trust. The unweaving of the tombstone in memory of JANE LEGUM will take place on Wednesday, January 10, 1978, at Valhalla Cemetery, Netanya.

WAYNE PEAKE of blessed memory (101 Squadron) Our comrade in arms has passed away in Los Angeles. Wayne's last wish was to be laid to rest in Israel. He will be buried in the Zahal Military Cemetery, Christian Section, Haifa, on Tuesday, January 9, at 3 p.m.

WAYNE PEAKE of blessed memory Veterans of the 101 Squadron and Mahalniks who took part in the War of Independence mourn the death of fighter pilot who passed away last week in Los Angeles. His last wish was to be buried in Israel.

YISRAEL FREEDMAN In sorrow, we announce the untimely death in the line of duty of who passed away last week in Los Angeles. His last wish was to be buried in Israel.

ROBERT ROUBACH With deep sorrow we announce the passing of our beloved The funeral will leave the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour, Jerusalem, at 11.45 a.m. today, Monday, January 8, 1978, for the Mt. of Olives Cemetery.

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Defence budget cuts mean fewer weapons

By MIRSH GOUDMAN, Post Military Correspondent. The IDF has had to reduce its overall procurement programme as a result of cuts in this year's defence budget...

be incurred as a result of an agreement. He said he had no idea where the money would come from should the defence establishment be called on to effect a pullback this year...



Syrian Orthodox Christmas procession in Bethlehem's Basilica of the Nativity on Saturday afternoon.

Child allowances fall short for large families — survey

Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — The children's allowance which the National Insurance Institute grants to large families is absorbed by the fast-rising costs of education, leaving nothing for all the other expenses the allowance was meant to cover...

and future delinquents and social welfare cases. It will also give us more unskilled and underproductive people. We feel there should be a special education allowance for families of four or more children...

Israel, Canada sign farm goods pact

By ERNIE MEYER, Jerusalem Post Reporter. "This accord for agricultural cooperation between our two countries may not sound like the world's greatest agreement, but it may lead to important things later on..."

\$30m. worth of Israel's total of \$65m. In imports from Canada was agricultural produce. However, of the \$40m. of goods Israel exported to Canada in that year, only about \$4m. worth were agricultural products...

Sunshine brings out worshippers for Orthodox Christmas in Bethlehem

Jerusalem Post Reporter. Thousands of Orthodox Christians packed Bethlehem to celebrate their Christmas yesterday. The festivities began on Saturday morning with a procession into the town led by the Orthodox Patriarch...

the commander of Judea and Samaria, Tat-Ahuf Elyanin Ben-Eliezer; the Jerusalem district representative, Raphael Levy; and the Judea police commander joined Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij at the after-midnight procession in the basilica which was headed by the leading clergy of the Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox and Syrian Orthodox churches...

Aridor says Katz's compulsory arbitration law leaves loopholes

By SHLOMO MAOZ, Post Economic Reporter. The compulsory arbitration law proposed by Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz is faulty, Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor, in charge of industry, trade and tourism, said on Friday...

works committee only with approval by its authorized labour organization — usually the Histadrut. He said that the arbitration should take place between the real sides to a conflict, and not be dependent on approval by an uninvolved party...



Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon (left) and his Canadian counterpart, Eugene Whelan, sign a memorandum of agreement in principle over an agricultural cooperation pact between the two countries, at Jerusalem's Beit Agron yesterday.

26 Tory leaders due here today

By HYAM CORNEY, Jerusalem Post Correspondent. LONDON. — Twenty-six leading members of Britain's Conservative party arrive in Israel today for an eight-day visit that includes meetings with President Yitzhak Navon, Premier Menahem Begin and Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek...

place by next October at the latest, though the current favourite guess is some time in the spring. The latest opinion polls show Labour and the Conservatives running neck and neck.

Cars aren't safe — for keeping valuables

The message seems to be — don't leave valuables in parked cars in Jerusalem. Thieves netted some IL175,000 from two cars in the capital yesterday.

found his attache case, with IL100,000 worth of diamonds and foreign currency, had disappeared. When Dutch tourist Hans Kirenhop returned to his car, parked in the centre of the city, he found it broken into. Missing were 4,000 Dutch guilders, jewelry, and airline tickets, worth some IL75,000.

Doctors, worried about their jobs, disrupt work at Afula hospital

Jerusalem Post Staff. AFULA. — Work at the Afula hospital was severely disrupted yesterday following sanctions by doctors. The doctors, who are worried that the Histadrut's Kupat Holim sick fund intends to fire 25 doctors, worked according to the Sabbath schedule.

the planned cutbacks, which will take place on February 1, are a direct outcome of the sick fund's poor financial situation. If, by then, the Health Ministry does not promise to allocate money to the sick fund, cutbacks will be inevitable.

Kiron ahead in men's bowls leagues

By JACK LEON, Post Sports Reporter. TEL AVIV. — The Israel Bowls League's 1978/79 season is nearing the half-way mark, with Kiron heading the men's section and Savyon and Ramat Hasharon sharing the lead in the women's division.

place with Ra'anana, Herzliya, Netanya and Haifa. Caesarea beat Savyon 17-11 at home over the weekend, chalking up its first success of the campaign. It left Neve Magen as the sole team still without a point.

Robbery suspect escapes police custody

Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL AVIV. — A Haifa man, Yosef Danino, 28, accused of three robberies in the Sharon area, escaped yesterday morning from the Tel Aviv court where he was to be tried.

day for holding up the Bank Hapoalim branch in Rishon Lezion three months ago. Danino was accused along with two friends, one of whom was Yosef Gamal.

Galilee man stabbed in revenge attack

NAZARETH. — A large police force was rushed to Reina, a village near here, yesterday, after the attempted killing of a local resident. Four people burst into a house of the Tatur family late Saturday night, police said, and stabbed Mashur Tatur, 25. They then escaped in a car waiting nearby.

Tatur reportedly identified one of his assailants as a member of the Atamna clan, the village's second largest. Investigators believe the attacker's motive was revenge. After the local council elections in November, a member of the Atamna family was killed during a heated argument over the results.

Advertisement for AKIM, The Israel Association for the Rehabilitation of the Mentally Handicapped. Features the text 'EVERY CLOUD HAS A SILVER LINING' and an illustration of a person walking with a cane. Includes contact information and details about a campaign for 'The Roof for the Handicapped Child'.

Large advertisement for a lottery with the headline 'DON'T THROW THEM AWAY'. The ad shows a grid of numbers and hands holding tickets, with text explaining how to win prizes by using Hish-Gad tickets.

Special Discount Offer advertisement for Black & Decker 20% DISCOUNT on Vacuum Cleaners Super 18. Includes address and phone number.

Memorial service held for Golda. A modest state memorial service marking the 30th day after Golda Meir's death was held yesterday at the graveside on Mount Herzl. Includes details about attendees and the service.

Grinfeld sixth in cadet chess. TEL AVIV. — Alon Grinfeld, 16, of Beersheba reached joint sixth place in the world chess championship for cadets (players under 17) which ended in Holland on Saturday. Grinfeld, who is Israel's junior champion, scored 7 points out of 11 games...

U.S. Israeli educators meet on underprivileged. Jerusalem Post Reporter. Leading American and Israeli educators will meet this week for four days in Jerusalem to discuss the education of the underprivileged. The U.S.-Israel Educational Policy Colloquium, opening this morning...

Benvenisti to Harvard. Former Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Meron Benvenisti, who was in charge of East Jerusalem affairs in the years immediately after the Six Day War, is to undertake a doctoral programme at Harvard this year based on the study of five cities with polarized populations — Jerusalem, Belfast, Singapore, Montreal and Brussels.

EGG. — An electrocardiograph (ECG) machine, worth some IL45,000, was last week presented to Assaf Harofeh Hospital in Tiratim, as a gift from the British government.

Pro-Vietnam Cambodians promise to repopulate cities, allow religion

BANGKOK (UPI). — Pro-Vietnam leaders who will probably rule Cambodia soon have promised to repopulate cities, bring back religion and start up schools. They also threatened detention and possible reprisals against those who have supported the Pol Pot regime.

A policy statement by the Hanot-backed Cambodian National United Front for National Salvation indicated that no new Cambodian government will be formed in the near future, even if the two-week-old offensive overruns Phnom Penh, the capital.

But the most controversial part of the eight-point statement, made public yesterday by Hanoi media, said that the rebels may take reprisals against "foreign officials" aiding the present government.

"Foreign officials and military advisers...who cross over to the revolutionary forces will be

welcome," it said. But then it warned, "Those who oppose the revolution will be duly punished" after transportation to "special and secure areas designated and managed by the high authorities."

The statement was the first reference by either the rebels or Vietnam to the possible fate of captured foreigners in the bloody Cambodian conflict. So far as is known, only Chinese and North Koreans are directly aiding the Phnom Penh government of Pol Pot.

Both sides in the conflict are communist, but have different policies, as the front's statement made clear yesterday. In rebel-held areas, "all citizens will enjoy freedom of movement," it said. There will be "freedom of religion, and repair of temples and pagodas will be permitted." Schools will be started up for children from seven to 10 years old, the policy statement said.

The many Cambodians who have been moved away from their former homes will be allowed to return, the policy statement said. "City dwellers who desire to return to urban areas will be allowed to do so when the overall situation permits."

The regime ruling Cambodia until now evacuated all cities within days of its April 1975 victory. Even Phnom Penh, which once held two million, now has an estimated population of less than 10,000.

Officials and soldiers of the present regime will receive five-day re-education courses, except for those "seriously imbued with reactionary viewpoints," whose re-education will be longer.

In Vietnam, re-education courses for many former Saigon army, police and government officials lasted from May 1975 until the present.

Giant price hikes in Hungary

VIENNA (UPI). — Life becomes much more expensive in Hungary today when drastic price increases — some up to 50 per cent — come into effect for scores of consumer items.

Government announcements said the price hikes were necessary because of higher world market prices, because of increases in local production costs, and because of the need to bring supply and demand into line.

The official Hungarian news agency MTI said petrol will climb by 25 per cent, cigarettes and cigars by about 30 per cent, beer by some 20 per cent, and rice 50 per cent.

Even the official newspaper of the Communist Party, "Nepszabadsag," will cost 40 per cent more.

Other price increases are for stoves, bicycles, batteries, washing machines, bathroom fixtures and building materials.



Cars in Orleans, France, are buried up to their tops in snow as the cold front brought low temperatures to France and other places in Europe. (UPI telephoto)

South Vietnam ex-leaders interviewed: Saigon never believed U.S. would dump it

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). — Former South Vietnamese leaders believe incompetent generals, cowardly commanders and corrupt officials helped lead to the fall of South Vietnam in 1975. But many were convinced until the end that the U.S. would save their regime.

This is the picture that emerges from interviews with 27 leaders of the former Saigon government conducted by the Rand Corporation, the so-called "think tank" run for the U.S. Defence Department, and published on Saturday.

The corporation, in a summary, said the Vietnamese officials interviewed saw two different faces of the U.S. before and after the Paris peace agreements which were signed in 1973.

One former official interviewed was quoted as saying: "The only provision of the Paris agreements that was observed was the removal of foreign troops from Vietnam, namely American troops."

The report summary said: "Before the Paris agreements, the

American role was seen as that of a gigantic but somewhat blind and often oppressive super-ally who did not clearly understand the nature of the war, the nature of South Vietnamese society, the nature of the enemy or the needs of South Vietnam."

After the agreements were signed, the Vietnamese interviewed complained, the U.S. seemed callous and uncaring. But the South Vietnamese believed until the end that the U.S. would still intervene in the event of a big attack, according to the interviews.

A former South Vietnamese ambassador in Washington, Bui Diem, distributed some of this confidence to statements by former president Richard Nixon.

At a meeting between presidents Thieu and Nixon at San Clemente, California, in 1973, Diem quoted Nixon as saying:

"The U.S. will meet all contingencies in case the (Paris) agreement is grossly violated," and "you can count on us."

The report quoted many of those interviewed as making such statements as: "You sacrificed over 500,000 killed in the war. You had over 200,000 wounded... You staked your prestige on a free South Vietnam. How could we ever expect that you would let South Vietnam go?"

Buu Vien, who attended the San Clemente meeting as vice-minister of defence, said: "We thought the U.S. couldn't afford losing Vietnam because, as a superpower, the U.S. would lose face...the government of South Vietnam had the solid pledge of the U.S. government... I was present at the meeting."

Thus, relying on American intervention in case of a military emergency, the Vietnamese never "pulled up their socks" to prepare for such an emergency, the report said.

Ky said the Americans had an insatiable appetite for "yes men" in the South Vietnamese military establishment. Others said the Americans judged a man too easily on whether he spoke decent English or drank bourbon with them.

'Pravda' warns of U.S.-China ties

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Communist Party daily "Pravda" said yesterday the Soviet Union cannot "abstract itself from realities" and will keep a close watch on relations between China and the U.S.

"Pravda" also repeated its charge that China is preparing for war and hopes to use normalisation of relations with the U.S. to strengthen its position. And it challenged presidential National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski's assessment of Chinese-American relations as a "diplomatic victory."

"While in the West they hope to channel Peking's aggressive line against the Soviet Union, historians should remember the lessons of the past," "Pravda" said.

"They testify that those who hardily having armed themselves hatch aggressive hegemonic plans and make their own decisions as to where to direct the first strike."

ART THEFT. — Eight 17th-century tapestries valued at 10m. francs (52.5m.) have been stolen from an uninhabited apartment in the western French town of Perigueux, police said yesterday.

Kennedy well ahead of Carter in first public opinion poll on 1980 primaries

CONCORD, New Hampshire. — Here, where the 1980 presidential campaign will begin in earnest just one year from now, voters overwhelmingly prefer Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts over President Jimmy Carter for the Democratic nomination. The trend, albeit weaker, was borne out by a national poll as well.

In two public opinion polls conducted by "The Los Angeles Times" and published yesterday, among 985 New Hampshire adults and a control group of 983 adults across the U.S., Kennedy was shown to possess in the eyes of the potential voters "the character, the talent, the intelligence and the experience" to be a good president.

When 315 registered New Hampshire Democrats were asked whom they would prefer now between Carter, Kennedy and California's Governor Edmund Brown Jr. for their party's nomination, this was the response:

Kennedy, 57 per cent; Carter, 21 per cent; Brown, 12 per cent; not sure, 10 per cent.

Brown, and to a lesser extent

Carter, fared better among 301 registered independents. In New Hampshire there are about as many independents as Democrats, and they can vote in a primary by changing their registration to a specific party at the polling place on election day.

The New Hampshire vote among independents gave Kennedy 37 per cent; Carter, 26 per cent; and Brown, 23 per cent.

Carter ran better nationally than he did in New Hampshire, but Kennedy still outpolled him among Democrats. The national result gave Kennedy 42 per cent; Carter, 34 per cent; and Brown, 15 per cent. Nine per cent were undecided.

The "Times" poll also measured Carter in two-man match-ups. Kennedy scored even better against the president without Brown in the race, particularly in New Hampshire. Carter beat Brown 2-1.

The Carter-Kennedy results among Democrats:

New Hampshire: Kennedy, 71 per cent; Carter, 20 per cent; not sure, 9 per cent.

Nationwide: Kennedy, 53 per cent;

Carter, 35 per cent; not sure, 7 per cent.

Although Kennedy is insisting he intends to remain on the sidelines and support Carter, a majority of voters nevertheless believe he has the 1980 presidential ambitions, his entry into the race would not surprise the electorate.

The survey found ample evidence to support the old adage that a incumbent president's political hinges largely on the national economy. Any economic improvement before the 1980 elections would strengthen Carter and weaken potential opponents.

Across the nation, Kennedy-Brown appeared to share basic the same youthful constituencies while Carter drew heavy support from senior citizens.

Basically, those interviewed valued honesty as the quality most important for a president. Those below that, both in New Hampshire and nationally, were leadership, intelligence and experience.

(The Los Angeles Times)

Fate of advanced arms in Iran worries U.S.

WASHINGTON (WPNS). — Against the background of continuing political turmoil in Iran, U.S. Defence Department specialists are searching for ways to prevent some of the world's most sophisticated aircraft — top-secret F-14 Tomcats — from falling into the hands of the Soviet Union.

So far, Pentagon sources concede, no satisfactory answers have been found.

In the days before religious and political violence pushed his regime to the brink of collapse, Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi obtained \$8b. worth of U.S.-supplied arms including 78 F-14s, an aircraft so advanced that the Soviets would consider it an intelligence bonanza just to get a close look.

Pentagon sources said the F-14s and Phoenix missiles that they would carry into combat are in no immediate danger.

Iranian pilots have been trained to fly the Tomcats but do so infrequently, because ground crews have not yet been trained to take care of the jets. The planes are stored at two remote air bases, far from the anti-shah street demonstrations, behind an imposing security system. The 500 Phoenix missiles that have been delivered to Iran are stored apart from the aircraft.

Nevertheless, the aircraft and the secrets that are held in their sophisticated electronic systems could be endangered in the advent of an abrupt change in government in Teheran. Pentagon officials admit this could produce almost insoluble problems.

"The planes were bought and paid for with Iranian money," a spokesman said. "They are prohibited from selling the planes to a third country without our permission, but those planes are theirs."

Of course, if the Iranian Air Force authorities agreed, the F-14s could be flown out of Iran to a safe base, perhaps in nearby Saudi Arabia. But

if the Iranians refused to surrender the aircraft, the U.S. would have options left.

"If you messed with the planes too soon, you probably would alienate the new government," an administration source said. "If you destroyed or stole what is rightfully theirs, you probably would make them permanently anti-West."

More troublesome are U.S.-operated electronic spying systems in Iran. These "listening posts" are intended to pick up intelligence information concerning the Soviet Union, Iran's neighbour to the north.

These stations are so highly classified that even the Iranian government does not know their precise locations. It was understood that if the Iranian political crisis worsened, the posts would be moved to Turkey. The installations were moved from Turkey to Iran several years ago during the dispute between Washington and Ankara over the since-ended U.S. embargo on military aid to Turkey.

Laos said gassing rebel tribesmen

BANGKOK (UPI). — An airborne attack involving using poison gas reportedly killed 1,200 hill tribesmen opposed to Communist rule in Laos, an American researcher reported yesterday.

Communist forces blockaded a string of villages and fired artillery and mortar rounds to keep the intended victims blockaded inside during the attack, survivors told the researcher.

He said survivors of attacks over the past three years have been interviewed in refugee camps in northern Thailand.

The researcher, America Thomas Stearns, said no proof exists that the substance used in a string of attacks against Meo tribesmen is actually poison gas.

But he, refugee camp doctors and several interested diplomatic reporters have been unable to find another explanation for the deaths from refugees from different villages and refugee camps.

Survivors of attacks have told similar stories of "gas" fired from small warplanes and persons coming in contact with the substance developing red eyes, diarrhoea and vomiting. In many cases they had died.

At least 2,000 Meo are so far reported to have been killed in the attacks, which by inference would have to be Father Lao or Vietnamese forces trying to stamp out a hill tribe rebellion in central Laos, north of the Laotian capital of Vientiane.

The worst incident so far reported was at a three-hamlet village near Phu Kongtao, a mountain near the Plain of Jars, where most of the Meo live.

Anti-Communist Afghans push for town

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (Reuter). — Thous with 18th-century muskets, are converging on a strategic town in eastern Afghanistan for what could be a major battle in their campaign to oust the Kabul regime, dissident sources said yesterday.

The guerrillas, fighting in the name of Islam, are bitterly opposed to the pro-Communist government which took power in Afghanistan in a bloody coup last April.

Dissident Afghan sources in this Northwest Frontier town said that more than 5,000 guerrillas were poised some 15 km. from Chigha Serai, capital of Kunar province.

The Afghan government of President Noor Mohammed Taraki is reported to have moved 12,000 extra troops into Kunar province to help put down the insurrection.

The sources said it was hoped that by attacking Chigha Serai the guerrillas could isolate government troops in the area, to allow a

guerrilla take-over of the whole province.

Success at Chigha Serai would also encourage tribesmen close to the capital, Kabul, to spread the insurrection, the sources said.

But they added that the guerrillas were short of weapons and ammunition and that many were armed with single-shot British rifles of World War I vintage.

Three months ago the guerrillas, using age-old techniques of sniping from mountain ridges and rushing the enemy under cover of darkness, captured the town of Kamdesh, 65 km. north of Chigha Serai.

They have since held the town, despite constant attempts by government forces to recapture it, the sources said.

Members of the two main Afghan dissident political parties have been seeking help from Western embassies here, pleading that Communist control of Afghanistan poses a threat to Western democracy.

West German steel strike nears end

KREFELD, West Germany (AP). — Union and Employers representatives agreed yesterday to end the first steel workers strike in Germany's vital Ruhr industrial area in 50 years.

After a night-long session that lasted into the 41st day of the strike and its retaliatory lockouts, both sides agreed to a 4 per cent wage increase effective for 15 months as from November 1, 1978.

The draft contract lasting to December 31, 1983, calls for four paid off-days effective January 1, 1979, and an additional two paid off-days after 1981.

The draft follows closely proposals made by State Labour Minister Friedrich Farthmann, a veteran mediator in previous labour disputes who did not participate in the final session that brought agreement.

To render the proposals effective, the tariff commissions on both sides were scheduled to meet and endorse the proposals today. Until their decisions, some 100,000 of a total 208,000 workers remained on strike or were kept locked out from 19 steel plants in the Ruhr area and in the cities of Bremen and Osnabrueck.

Nicaraguan airplanes bomb guerrillas

MANAGUA (Reuter). — Nicaraguan air force planes on Saturday bombed and strafed suspected left-wing Sandinista guerrilla hideouts in Chinandega near the Honduran border and in the vicinities of Leon and Esteli, residents in the areas said.

No other details were immediately available but the Broad Opposition Front (FAO), which groups leading opponents of President Anastasio Somoza, described the new government drive as genocidal.

The National Guard dismissed the opposition charges as "gross exaggeration" and said the bombing missions were search and destroy operations against small guerrilla groups.

Leon, Chinandega and Esteli are three of the five major cities which bore the brunt of the September uprising in which an estimated 2,000 people were killed.

The Sandinistas, who spearheaded the uprising, have pledged to launch another offensive to topple General Somoza from office.

Accidental blast kills 7 Rhodesian soldiers

SALISBURY (UPI). — Seven soldiers were killed and another seven wounded on Friday in what the Defence Ministry described yesterday as an accidental explosion in an operational area.

The men killed were six blacks and one white. Military sources said the accident occurred in the area of Victoria Falls. It was one of the worst accidents since the war against black nationalist guerrillas began in December 1972.

Czechs try dissident for insulting authority

VIENNA (AP). — Jaroslav Sabata, one of the spokesmen of the Czechoslovak Charter-77 human rights organization, will go on trial next Thursday on charges of insulting a representative of state authority, dissident sources here said yesterday.

If found guilty, the 52-year-old psychologist could be sentenced to a 12-month prison term. The sources feared, however, that an additional 18-month term resulting from a 1978

trial in which Sabata was placed under a three-year probation could be added to the sentence.

Sabata and other Czechoslovak human rights advocates last October met with Polish friends near the Czech-Polish border. The meeting was broken up by state security police. Sabata and others were arrested.

Authorities claimed Sabata had related arrest and scuffed with officers.

Britain agrees to Brunei independence

LONDON (UPI). — Britain yesterday agreed to grant full independence at the end of 1983 to the tiny oil-rich state of Brunei in Southeast Asia, ending more than 90 years of dependence on this country.

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Year of the child

By IAN GUEST
General News Service



GENEVA — A new year — and a new UN program, 1979 is the International Year of the Child (IYC) and the 20th anniversary of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child.

This calls for special measures to help them assimilate while maintaining their own cultural heritage.

IN EACH CASE, says the UN, children will derive special benefit from improvements — like the fresh water being introduced through a quarter of a million village hand pumps in Bangladesh by UNICEF, the UN Children's Fund.

Health: More than 15.5 million babies throughout the world do not live to their fifth birthday. Fifteen million of the deaths are in the developing countries. The vast majority could be prevented by social development, better food, and application of simple treatment. One hundred thousand children go blind each year from a lack of vitamin A.

children with raw opium to keep them quiet," says the UN report. In Peru, one out of every five schoolchildren is on drugs. A survey in Colombia found 130,000 young addicts in three cities. Some 14 per cent of the addicts in the Philippines are 13 or under.

IN THE WEST the habit begins in the womb for children of addicted mothers. "For literally thousands of babies each year the first thing they know of the world is the excruciating pain of heroin withdrawal," says the report.

One thing is certain: the International Year of the Child, for those involved, will not be a sentimental event. It will be an opportunity to improve education, change legislation, affect governments. "We cannot leave it up to the families," says Rigmor Von Euler, the children's "ombudsman" for Sweden.

Iranian presence

LETTER FROM LOS ANGELES/Tom Tugend

THE MEN send for their families, who, in turn, send tickets to their relatives.

Estimates of the number of Iranians in Los Angeles range from 20,000 to 100,000, not a large overall figure but increasingly noticeable in their areas of concentration. In Beverly Hills, for instance, some 210 Iranian children, well over half of them Jewish, enrolled this year in the local public schools.

"THERE ARE MORE Jews than Moslems among the Iranian students," said Masoud Yashona, a recent newcomer at Beverly Hills High School, who sports two Stars of David on a chain around his neck.

here. The parents are afraid what's going to happen to them back home.

The influx has forced the high school to accelerate its English-as-a-second-language programme, according to principal Sol Levine.

Looking beyond Beverly Hills, the Iranian real estate boom has spread to even choicer property in West Los Angeles. Real estate brokers estimate that between 30 to 50 per cent of homes in the exclusive Trousdale Estate section are now owned by Iranians, and some 20 per cent of houses in high class Bel Air.

So far the Iranian Jews are not a very visible part of the Los Angeles Jewish community, although a few are beginning to appear at services (and on donor lists) of established synagogues.

For most of their social and

religious activities, however, the Iranian Jews tend to stay among their own. Last October the first "Iranian Jewish Community" Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur services were conducted, in Persian, Hebrew and English, at a rented movie house.

AN EVEN MORE recent addition to the local scene are the Yemite Jews, who a few months ago announced their presence with a lively singing and dancing Yemite Israeli Festival. Proceeds of the event will help establish the first Yemite congregation in Los Angeles, according to Ely Dromy, the organizer of the show.

The 25-year-old Dromy arrived from Israel six years ago, penniless and with hardly a word of English, and put himself through college with carpet cleaning and janitorial jobs. Today he is one of the most successful real estate salesmen in a city swarming with intense competitors, who note with respect that Dromy sold \$4 million worth of property within five months after negotiating his very first real estate deal.

550,000 strong

By JUDY SIEGEL/Jerusalem Post Reporter



Jack Spitzer

social institutions. Recently, it has constructed 14 residences for senior citizens.

B'nal B'rith's affiliate, the Anti-Defamation League, is widely respected for its stand against the Arab boycott and for its fight against discrimination. And Hillel houses, sponsored by B'nal B'rith to promote Jewish identity among college students, exist on 342 campuses around the world.

About 40,000 Jewish youngsters are members of the B'nal B'rith Youth Organization. Although BBYO membership was on the decline for several years, Spitzer says, it is now increasing.

Why do teenagers join BBYO rather than other Jewish or Zionist youth movements? Spitzer says that the BBYO members are not "told what to do or believe. They aren't told what ideology to adopt. It lets them develop their own resources and attitudes."

B'nal B'rith is also represented at the UN, where it is a non-governmental organization serving in an advisory capacity. "You just have to call (former UN Ambassador Chaim Herzog) to ask him how helpful the B'nal B'rith staff in New York was to him," says Spitzer.

social contact. Hillel Houses have been set up at both the Hebrew University and Haifa University.

In addition, B'nal B'rith programmes bring 1,000 tourists to Israel each year. Spitzer pledges to increase the number tenfold during his term as president.

Although B'nal B'rith is not officially "Zionist" (not being a member of the World Zionist Organization), it wholeheartedly supports Israel.

Spitzer recently met all department heads of the WZO and agreed to "play a major role in supporting the educational programmes of Youth Aliya," which has lately committed itself to bringing Diaspora youth to Israel for study.

A SUPPORTER of the Democratic Party in the U.S., Spitzer contributed to Jimmy Carter's presidential campaign but is, nevertheless, rather critical of the administration. "It's hard for America, with the Pacific and Atlantic oceans as borders on the east and west and friendly nations in the north and south, to appreciate the problems of a physically small country like Israel."

Spitzer wants B'nal B'rith members to get politically active. At his installation as president, he organized for 3,000 postcards to be distributed to B'nal B'rith members in the audience. Each delegate was asked to mail a card to Carter, as well as to Senators and Congressmen, demanding that the U.S. Embassy in Israel be moved from Tel Aviv to the capital, Jerusalem.

WELL-TAILORED, soft-spoken and commanding, Jack Spitzer seems to be the model of a successful banker. Which, in fact, he is — or, at least, was until his recent election as president of B'nal B'rith International.

Wealthy and influential, 61-year-old Spitzer makes large contributions to both Jewish and non-Jewish causes.

After being elected to head B'nal B'rith, Spitzer cut off his ties with the savings and loan association he had served for years and moved from Seattle to Washington, D.C., where the Jewish organization has its headquarters.

"Making money is far less important than having the privilege of serving as president of B'nal B'rith," he says.

The post did not come easily: Spitzer ran for the presidency against two other candidates, seeking votes from the 1,100 delegates who attended the B'nal B'rith convention.

After falling to get a majority on the first ballot, Spitzer went on to a second round and won by 170 votes.

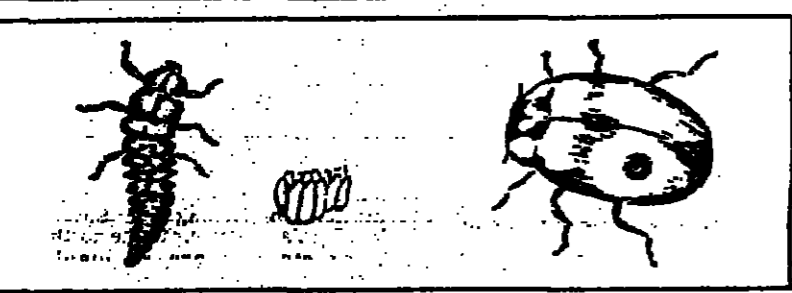
B'NAL B'RITH was founded 135 years ago by German Jewish immigrants to the U.S. It was the first service organization of any immigrant group in North America. Now an international body, it has 550,000 members in the 42 countries.

While 500,000 of the members are in the U.S. and Canada, the rest are scattered through Israel, Europe, Cuba, South Africa and other countries.

Spitzer isn't happy with the relatively small number of Israeli

members — about 10,000. He hopes to see an increase, with the help of former B'nal B'rith president William Wexler, who came on aliya several years ago and who oversees the Tel Aviv office.

IN NORTH AMERICA, B'nal B'rith has built hospitals, orphanages, homes for the elderly and other



Above left, ladybird larva, eggs and mature adult. At right, another friend of the gardener, the praying mantis.

The true gardener and his friends

GARDENER'S CORNER/Walter Frankl

WHEN ORNAMENTAL-shade trees have dropped their leaves, when popular fruit trees look like bare broomsticks and lawns have not grown so much as a centimetre in a month and when bulb plantings reveal nothing but little tips, the true gardener should be alert to the dangers of weather and garden pests.

The true gardener knows every corner of his garden. He (or she) inspects garden plants every morning and enjoys every new sprout. When a plant has been damaged by harsh weather or insects, the true gardener suffers too. The plants he grows are an inseparable part of his life. For such a gardener, there is no rest in winter. Here is a work list for the month of January.

Tools. Well-cared for tools do much to increase the pleasure and diminish the difficulty of gardening. Ancient horticulturalists used pointed sticks for ploughs, animal shoulder blades, clam shells and flints for hoes and hoes and bundles of reeds for hammers and rakes.

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Planting of fruit trees, grape vines, roses and ornamental trees and shrubs, as described in previous columns, can continue in January.

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friends of the gardener. One is the ladybird, a small beetle with orange-red wings and seven black spots. The ladybird (coccinella septem maculata, or in Hebrew parat Moshe Rabbeinu) is a great help in destroying plant lice (aphids). The female lays up to 600 eggs in the summer. Each of the hatching larvae eat some 20 plant lice daily, the same quantity as the adults. The larvae mature in six days, and mature adults live a full year.

The second gardener's friend is the praying mantis, called gemal Shlomo or katolayim in Hebrew. It is a fascinating insect, famous as a hunter of garden pests. Take care not to destroy it when dusting or spraying with poisonous chemicals.

Mantises turn their heads in all directions when ambushing their prey. Primitive people have credited them with mystic powers. When the state of Virginia decided to select a state insect, this led to a fierce debate. The house of representatives championed the praying mantis, while the state senate proposed the swallow-tailed butterfly. Fifth and sixth graders from Arlington lobbied for the mantis and one 10-year-old proclaimed, "The praying mantis is a noble insect, defending mankind from predators." The students explained to the legislature how the praying mantis eats bugs that destroy corn, peanuts and tobacco, while the butterfly, in the caterpillar stage, feeds on peach tree leaves and cabbage and tobacco plants. The mantis was voted the state insect.

SEVERE weather has been playing havoc in Europe, with temperatures of 20 or more degrees below zero Centigrade and snow several metres high. Last week the first wave of this cold reached Israel, dramatically replacing summery sunshine and warmth, unusual in January, with chilly rain and strong winds.

The spokesman at the meteorological service has predicted a short rainless interval with higher temperatures before even stronger waves of terrible weather penetrate the Mediterranean region from the north. If this forecast proves true, we shall still have an opportunity to take some preventive measures for the coming cold. But even when bad weather does partly damage garden plants, don't lose confidence. Spring will bring plenty of sunshine and warmth. All will be healed and you will have flowers to enjoy.

Save your garden. Here are some preventive measures for freezing harsh weather:

Stake tall-growing, hollow-stemmed plants like callas. Put up windbreaks and mats or old blankets fixed to posts or pine branches in exposed garden areas. Mulch and cover the base of roses, kitchen herbs, cauliflower, road beans, radishes, parsley and onions. In the plains, one can grow potatoes for harvesting in spring.

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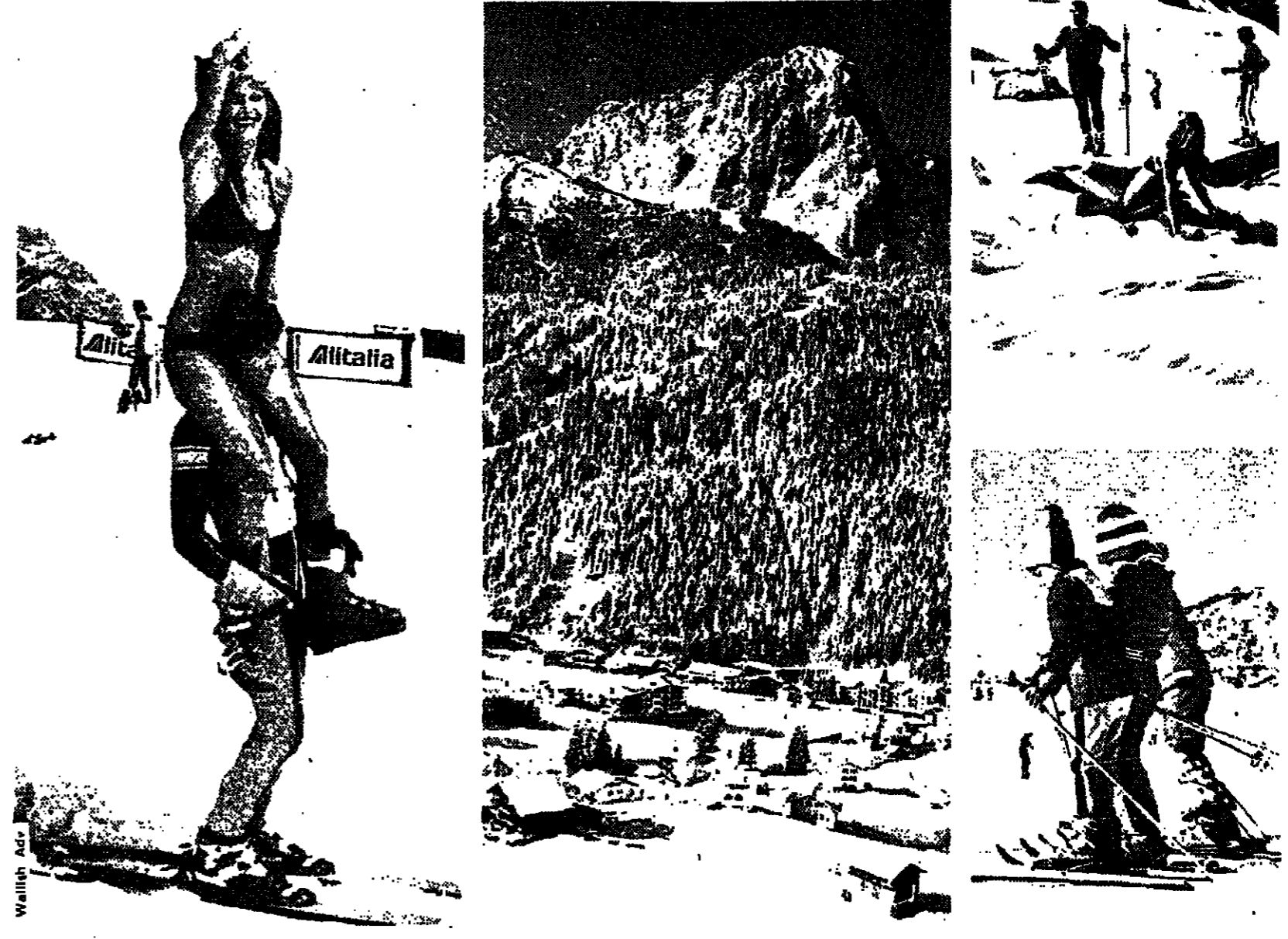
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Brazilian fantasy

CINEMA/Ruth Ariella Brody

DONA FLOR AND HER TWO HUSBANDS. Starring Sonia Braga, Jose Wilker, and Mauro Mendonca...

corrigible ne'er do well who caused his wife only grief and aggravation.

BRAZIL, nicknamed "The Sleeping Giant" by Latin American political experts...

A year passes and Dona Flor's mother and friends finally convince her to exchange her mourning dress...

A warm and utterly unpretentious film. "Dona Flor" somehow manages to combine puritanism with licentiousness...

Lof and behold, Vadinho returns to life, real enough to Flor's eyes, though invisible to everybody else.

The film begins with a carnival scene reminiscent of that in the internationally-acclaimed 1958 Brazilian film Orpheus Negro...

Whether Vadinho is an imaginary reincarnation of Flor's longing, or whether he does indeed return...

ALL THE MAJOR actors: Jose Wilken as Vadinho, Mauro Mendonca as Teodoro, and Sonia Braga as Flor...

Vadinho, Dona Flor's young, amorous, and good-for-nothing husband is eagerly pursuing the unglamorous figure of a street dancer...

FLOR, young, beautiful, and devoted to her philandering husband, tearfully receives the town mourners at Vadinho's tragicomic funeral...

Together, the erotic propriety and dreamy realism of "Dona Flor and Her Two Husbands" make for delightful entertainment...

When I am a cat..

DANCE/Dora Sowden

THIRTY-NINE beautiful young people sat on the floor of Jerusalem's Geulim School hall, down Ba'ka way...

shoulders, back of the neck. Empty your ribcage and then fill it. Keep it alert...

Anne Halprin from San Francisco was conducting one of her celebrated happenings...

There was wailing and moaning, sinking to the ground, stretching upwards, crawling, stalking...

This private, but officially sponsored, undertaking begun about three years ago is managed by a board and directed by Gabi Lev...

Next they had to tell of their doing and feeling in an "I" message: "When I am a lion, I am strong..."

Soon the "self-portraits" were stuck on the walls — one showing the bearded back of a naked woman...

They went on to create "environments." Within minutes, the benches from along the walls, the blankets on which they sat...

"Most of them have drawn only heads as if they have no bodies," Anne Halprin pointed out...

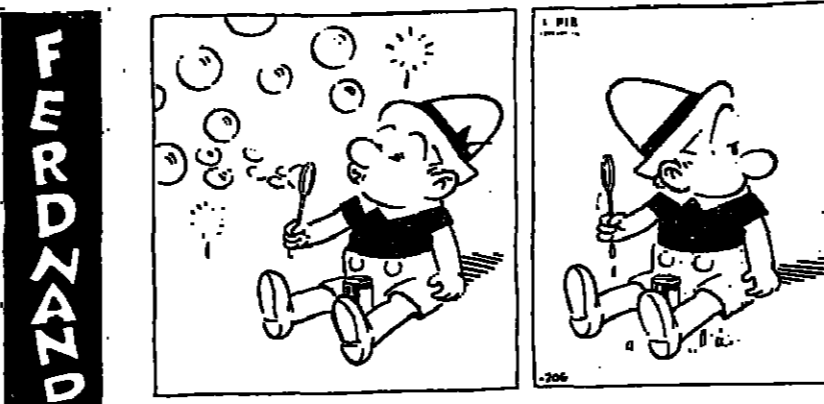
Finally they gathered round the lit candles and made a singing circle, first in time with the record player...

"Now we are going to use movement — first in your private, personal space, then as you relate to others and then to the environment...

She looked surprised. "But that's a Hanukka song," she said. Come to think of it, it is.

THEY BEGAN with deep breathing, hissing out the air, being told to imagine it like water...

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